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TITLE OF INVENTION: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REDUCING NOX FROM EXHAUST GASES PRODUCED BY INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES

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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.
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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

This communication is responsive to THE AMENDMENT FILED 29 NOV. 1999 & INTERVIEW of 14 Jan 2000

The allowed claim(s) is/are 61 - 101, 106 - 108 AND 110

The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.

Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

All Some* None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been

received.

received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____

received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

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Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.

Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS

because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.

including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 11

including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on SUBMITTED WITH THE AMENDMENT MAILED 22 Nov. 1999, which has been approved by the examiner.

including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying Indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any reply to this notice should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

Attachment(s)

Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

Interview Summary, PTO-413 (THREE)

Examiner's Amendment/Comment

Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

THE CONTINUATION DATA SET FORTH BEFORE THE FIRST
PTO-37 (Rev. 8/97) LINE OF THE SPECIFICATION HAS BEEN AMENDED BY INSERTING
"U.S. GPO:1998-444-443 -- now U. S. Patent 5,985,222 -- AFTER "November 1, 1996".

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Alan Loudermilk, Applicants' attorney, on 14 January 2000.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 110 line 2, substitute --comprising-- in lieu of "such as".

In claim 110 line 2, substitute --or-- in lieu of "and".

CHANGES TO DRAWINGS

The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant: label Figures 1(a), 1(b) and 1(c) as "Prior Art", consistent with the proposed drawing changes submitted with the amendment mailed 22 November 1999. In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Timothy C. Vanoy whose telephone number is 703-308-2540.

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